

# St. Michael's — St. Benedict — Canadian Martyrs

Cudworth

St. Benedict

Middle Lake

## Roman Catholic Parishes

February 1<sup>st</sup> (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time) – February 8<sup>th</sup> (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

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**Office Hours:** Tue/Fri: 9 –12noon (closed during Mass times); Thursday: 9<sub>AM</sub>–4<sub>PM</sub> **Administration:** Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo, Teresa Richardson (IN ON THURSDAYS 9<sub>AM</sub> – NOON), and Chara Sargeant (Bulletin)

### **Sunday Mass times February:**

Saturday 5PM Canadian Martyrs

Sunday 9AM St. Michael's

Sunday 11AM St. Benedict

### **Weekday Mass times (year round):**

Tuesday 6:30PM Haven

Wednesday 10:30AM Nursing Home

Wednesday 1:30PM Bethany

Friday 9AM St. Michael's

**Low-gluten communion hosts are available. Please see Fr. before Mass.**

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Sat: 11<sub>AM</sub> – 12<sub>PM</sub> (noon) – St. Michael's

Sat: 4:30<sub>PM</sub> – 4:55<sub>PM</sub> – St. Benedict (only when Mass falls on Saturday)

By appointment: Contact Fr. Benjamin directly on his mobile

### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

**St. Michael's:** Every Friday from Mass: 8<sub>AM</sub> to 9<sub>AM</sub> (Except for 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, when it is after Mass: 9:30<sub>AM</sub> to 12<sub>PM</sub>)

**St. Michael's Haven:** Every first Tuesday of the month, 5:30<sub>PM</sub> to 6:30<sub>PM</sub>

**Marriage Prep:** Please contact Fr. Benjamin at least one year prior to the desired date of marriage.

**Mass Intentions:** Please contact Fr. Benjamin directly. Suggested donation: \$10.00

Fr. Benjamin is available on his mobile at any time outside Mass times for EMERGENCIES and to administer the sacrament of the

### **Anointing of the Sick.**

To request Communion to the Sick, Baptism, or Funeral, please call Fr. Benjamin at the office, or directly on his mobile.

**Reminder:** You can request the sacraments when you are in ANY hospital.

St. Michael's Sunday Masses can be followed at 91.3FM

### **ALL MASS INTENTIONS Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> – Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> - Saturday 5PM**

Canadian Martyrs: Edwin & Lucille Reding+/ The Family

**Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> - Sunday 9AM**

St. Michael's: Loreen Waldbillig+/ MaryAnn Schwark

**Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 11AM**

St. Benedict: Linus Hackl+/ Bernice Dengler

**Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tues. 6:30PM**

St. Michael's Haven: Mena Lieffers+/ Jim & Liz Wilde

**Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Fr. Benjamin is away for Clergy Study and Recollection**

**Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> – First Saturday**

**9AM - Rosary**

**9:30AM - Mass**

St. Michael's: In reparation for the offenses and blasphemies against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 5PM**

Canadian Martyrs: Gary Schmidt+/ Floyd & Carol Lingel

**Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 9AM**

St. Michael's: Rosella Schwark+/ Ida Rose Wilde

**Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 11AM**

St. Benedict: Alphonse Schlosser+/ John & Audrey van der Gracht

## *February is the Month of The Passion of Our Lord*

The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus' sufferings which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind. Saints who had a special devotion to Christ's passion include St. Francis of Assisi, who was the first known saint to receive the stigmata; St. John of the Cross; St. Bridget of Sweden; and St. Catherine of Siena.





**ST. MICHAEL'S** -503 Main Street,  
Cudworth, SK. S0K 1B0  
Mass Time – February: Sunday 9<sup>AM</sup>

*Together we listen, receive, believe,  
and serve from the heart of Jesus*

**Parish Council:** Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo **2<sup>nd</sup> Term:** Grace Jungwirth (Chair), Glen Lingel (Vice Chair), Teresa Richardson (Secretary), Vince Dierker (K of C Representative), Stuart Kolla (Maintenance), Kyle Slobodian **1<sup>st</sup> Term:** Don Kolla, Catherine Mazurkewich, Audrey van der Gracht, Ida Rose Wilde

**Finance Committee:** Catherine Mazurkewich (Chair), Derreck Kolla, Michael Wilde, Lee Hauber

**Cemetery Committee:** Don Kolla (Chair), Ida-Rose Wilde, James Hauber, Raymond Jungwirth – For all cemetery related information: Teresa Richardson **Parish Covenant of Care Coordinator:** Grace Jungwirth

**Knights of Columbus** – Thursday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>

**Rosary:** 7 PM **Meeting:** 7:30 PM



**CWL** – Next meeting:



Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:15

**Parish Council** – Wed. Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM

### Sunday Mass Ministries

**9 AM – Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Rosary:** Phil **Ushers:** James, Darrell

**Screens:** Jill **Servers:** Camryn, Nora

**Readers:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Bernadette, 2<sup>nd</sup> – John v.

**Prayers of the Faithful** – Catherine

**Offerings:** Bernadette, Tammy, Roger

**Eucharistic Minister:** Danny, Morris

**Counters:** Dennis, Sylvia

**9 AM – Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Rosary:** Glen **Ushers:** Garry, Edward, Leonard

**Screens:** Ann **Servers:** Eric, Leo, Alynn

**Readers:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Heide, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Teresa

**Prayers of the Faithful** – Morris

**Offerings:** Edward, Leonard

**Eucharistic Minister:** Barbara, Roger

**Counters:** Danny, Ann, Elaine

**9 AM – Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Welcomers:** Jim & Liz

*Youth Mass*

**Rosary:** Phil **Ushers:**

**Screens:** Grace **Servers:** Brianna

**Readers:** 1<sup>st</sup> – TBA, 2<sup>nd</sup> – TBA, **POF** – TBA

**Offerings:** TBA

**Eucharistic Minister:** Heide, Danny

**Counters:** Garry, Catherine, Heide

**7 PM – Ash Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Welcomers:** John & Audrey

**Rosary:** Glen **Ushers:** James, Darrel

**Screens:** TBA **Servers:** Chelsea, Nora

**Readers:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Doreen

**Prayers of the Faithful** – Lee

**Offerings:** James & Kim

**Eucharistic Minister:** Morris, Barbara

**9 AM – Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Rosary:** Phil **Ushers:** Garry, Edward, Leonard

**Screens:** Jill **Servers:** Camryn, Brady

**Readers:** 1<sup>st</sup> – John v., 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tammy

**Prayers of the Faithful** – Bernadette

**Offerings:** Bernadette, Tammy, Roger

**Eucharistic Minister:** Roger, Heide

**Counters:** Dennis, Sylvia

**Thanks be to God**

### **VAN SERVICE – Winter Months**

**Anyone wanting to be picked up should contact the Parish Office (306) 256-3218 or Liz Wilde (306) 256-3673**

**Pick-up starts 1hour before Mass**

### **Prayer Shawls:**

Sylvia Meszaros - (306) 256-7198



### **Yarn/wool donations:**

Gen Trischuk – (306) 256-3904

Any yarn and or monetary donations are always greatly appreciated.



**Bishop's Dinner 2026** presented by the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation April 30 will bring together great food, amazing music, and community support for ministries and meaningful causes. Held at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, this year's Bishop's Dinner includes an after-dinner live concert featuring singer-songwriter Sarah Kroger, with ticket options either for the 7 p.m. concert only (\$50) or for the meal and concert together (\$225, with a partial tax receipt; doors open at 4 p.m. with dinner by The Golden Pagoda at 5:15 p.m.). Learn more / get tickets at: <https://dscf.ca/events> (select "Bishop's Dinner 2026").

**Compassionate Healers' Mass Feb. 8** - Bishop Mark Hagemoen will celebrate the Compassionate Healers' Mass at 9 a.m. Sunday, Feb 8 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. The Compassionate Healers' Mass will also be live-streamed to pray live or later at <https://saskatoonmass.com>. This is an opportunity to pray for all those involved in every level of health care in any setting - including health care workers, medical professionals, caregivers, administrators, support staff, volunteers, spiritual care providers, parishioners, and family members. Everyone is welcome. The event concludes National Catholic Health Care Week (Feb. 1-7), ahead of the World Day of the Sick, marked in the Church on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Feb. 11.

**Diocesan Prayer** ~ We pray as a diocesan family for all women and men who have been called to share the light of Christ in our world through consecrated life, living out their baptism through the religious vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. We thank God for their witness and service among us in the diocese of Saskatoon, and throughout our world.

**From Mourning to Dawn** is an eight-week diocesan grief support program for widows and widowers, led by those who have also experienced this loss. It is open to participants who have been widows/ widowers from between two months to two years. From Mourning to Dawn will again be offered in the diocese at the end of March/beginning of April. Two sessions will be offered, one held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon and the second at St. Anne Parish, Saskatoon. (The day and time of the sessions will be arranged jointly by facilitators and participants.) Cost: \$35. To register or for more information, please contact Dianna Knaus at [dknaus@sasktel.net](mailto:dknaus@sasktel.net) or (306) 382-0535.

<b>December Finances 2025</b>	
Sunday Collections	\$ 5,646.00
Preauthorized Giving	\$ 1,277.50
Christmas Mass	\$ 4,603.00
Parish Recovery	\$ 1,744.92
Other income (mailed in donations, funeral, baptism, Conexus interest)	\$ 2,563.95
Interest from PDF Fund	<u>\$ 1,310.62</u>
Total Income	\$ 17,145.99
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 24,221.88</u> (Included in Expenses: Insurance \$10,817.00)
Loss for December	-\$ 7,075.89

## **Awaken 2026 - "The Art of Listening"**

Join the diocesan Adult Faith Formation program as we delve into the profound impact that deep and intentional listening can have on our lives and relationships. Over the course of four enlightening sessions, we will explore the foundational elements of listening, progressing through different levels, and finally, understanding listening in the context of our relationship with the Lord. Sessions will be held at 7 p.m. on three more Tuesdays at the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon:

- **Feb. 3** - "The Four Levels of Listening" with Sr. Marta Piano;
- **Feb. 10** - "Listening to God in Scripture and Adoration" with Fr. Daniel Yasinski
- **Feb. 17** - "Pathway to becoming a Missionary Synodal Church" with Fr. Joseph Salihu.

Register online at: <https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/awakenwinter2026> or for more information contact diocesan Adult Faith coordinator Astrid Alas at [amalas@rcdos.ca](mailto:amalas@rcdos.ca) or (306) 659-5858. *(Adult faith formation programs are supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal)*



## ST. BENEDICT

10 1<sup>st</sup> Street South (Church Avenue)  
St. Benedict, SK S0K 3T0

Mass Times:

February: Sunday 11 AM

March: Saturday 5 PM

*St. Benedict Parish would like to thank Henry & Susie Wedewer, George Baron, the Deceased members of Cottim & Coughlan Families, Tony Ronellensitsch, and August & Lea Hannotte for their donations towards Christmas flowers to beautify our parish!*

**World Day for Consecrated Life Mass** at 12:15 pm **Monday, Feb. 2** at Cathedral of the Holy Family followed by a light lunch Each year, on Feb. 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple - also known as 'Candlemas' - the Church celebrates the World Day for Consecrated Life, offering a space to recognize the gift of consecrated life and the many ways it enriches the life and mission of the Church across the world. (Mass will be live-streamed at [www.saskatoonmass.com](http://www.saskatoonmass.com))

### Sunday/Saturday Mass Ministries

**11AM – Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup>**

Ushers: Laverne Sacristan: Laverne  
Cross Bearer: Colleen Servers: Draude's  
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

**11AM – Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup>**

Ushers: Reg Sacristan: Reg  
Cross Bearer: Reg  
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

**11AM – Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup>**

Ushers: Laverne Sacristan: Laverne  
Cross Bearer: Colleen Servers: Draude's  
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

**11AM – Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Ushers: Reg Sacristan: Reg  
Cross Bearer: Reg  
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn



## CANADIAN MARTYR'S

1<sup>st</sup> Street North  
Middle Lake, SK S0K 2X0

Mass Times:

February: Saturday 5 PM

March: Sunday 9 AM

### **READERS / COLLECTION:**

Sat. Jan 31<sup>st</sup> @ 5 PM Andrea & Gloria  
Sat. Feb 7<sup>th</sup> @ 5 PM Marj & Janice  
Sat. Feb 14<sup>th</sup> @ 5 PM Tim & Janine  
Sat. Feb 21<sup>st</sup> @ 5 PM Andrea & Gloria

### **CHURCH MAINTENANCE:**

Mon February 2<sup>nd</sup> Dorian & R. Baker  
Mon February 9<sup>th</sup> Chris & Debbie  
Mon February 16<sup>th</sup> Kenny & Hap  
Mon February 23<sup>rd</sup> Tim & Allen  
Mon March 2<sup>nd</sup> Matthew & Ken P.

### **CHURCH CLEANERS:**

**February:** Angela Reiter,  
Rosanne Griffin  
**March:** Michelle Mertz &  
Karen Mertz

Please maintain any flowers, solar lights, and anything else placed in the cemetery at a grave site. Please try to place objects in a way as not to impede the cemetery grass mowing and maintenance for the volunteers looking after the cemetery. It can add a lot of time and effort on the volunteer's part if items left at grave sites are left to deteriorate. Thank you, God Bless!

You are invited to the St. Bruno Parish Family &  
Friends for a Formal



## *St. Valentine's Dance*

A family-friendly, of jives, two steps, waltzes, polkas, old time reels, and more! All-ages welcome for an evening of dancing for Families, Couples, and Singles  
Friday Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 7-10PM Bruno Community Hall 513 Kirby St.  
Bruno, SK



Admission by Donation, Raffles, 50/50  
All proceeds go to St. Bruno Parish initiatives  
Bring Munchies and/or sweets to share (nut-free please)



## **A Knights of Columbus**

"In Support of Life" Gala Fundraiser will be held Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon. For tickets contact Merv at (306) 961-2473.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Beautiful Attitudes

The gospel of Matthew chapters 5-7 contains Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Jesus' famous Sermon on the Mount is a grand summary of Christian life lived with godly attitudes. They are called such because it took place on the hills in Galilee.

The Sermon on the Mount centers on relationship – with God and our neighbours.

- First, it deals with us as disciples, who are to be salt and light, and are meant to change people, neighbours, society and the world. It would therefore be wrong to try to keep God or religion apart from public life. God's kingdom is a power which aims at transforming all things (Matthew 5: 13-16).
- Then Jesus taught about our treatment of others. He covered murder, adultery, divorce, oaths, retribution, and the need to love our enemies (Matthew 5:17-48).
- Next, he explained how to relate to God through giving and prayer (Matthew 6:1-15).
- Last, Jesus provided guidelines for living in the world: storing up the right treasure, rejecting anxiety, refusing to be judgmental, knowing God hears prayers, and a warning about false teachers (Matthew 6:16 – 7:29).

The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-12) is not the same as Sermon on the Mount, rather it is contained (or part of) the Sermon. The beatitudes stood out as most famous speech Jesus gave (*the Movie: CHOSEN accentuated this*).

The word beatitude comes from Greek - *μακάριοι* meaning "blessed," "fortunate," or "happy". This term signifies a state of deep, inner joy or flourishing. Billy Graham observed that the character we find in the Beatitudes is nothing less than Jesus' character put into words. He continued, "It is the description set side by side with an example. Jesus not only taught these principles, he lived them."

When one takes a glance at the beatitudes, the phrases are ironic: happy are those who are poor, mourning, meek, hungry, persecuted, and reviled. Indeed, it doesn't seem like there is much to be happy about there; but Jesus balances each statement with promises of comfort, acceptance, filling, and more.

- *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:3)*

Adam Clarke in his commentary emphasized ‘that the person whom Christ terms happy is one who is not under the influence of fate or chance, but is governed by an all-wise providence, having every step directed to the attainment of immortal glory, being transformed by the power into the likeness of the ever-blessed God. Though some of the persons, whose states are mentioned in these verses, cannot be said to be as yet blessed or happy, in being made partakers of the Divine nature; yet they are termed happy by our Lord, because they are on the straight way to this blessedness.’

“Poor in spirit - One who is deeply sensible of his spiritual poverty and wretchedness. Being destitute of the true riches, he is tremblingly alive to the necessities of his/her soul, shrinking with fear lest he should perish without the salvation of God. Such people Jesus called ‘happy’, because there is but a step between them and that kingdom which is here promised.”

- *Blessed are those who mourn: for they shall be comforted. (Matthew 5:4)*

For Clarke, blessed are they that mourn –refers to those who, ‘feeling their *spiritual poverty*, mourn after God, lamenting the iniquity that separated them from the fountain of blessedness. Only such persons as are deeply convinced of the sinfulness of sin, feel the plague of their own heart, and turn with disgust from all worldly consolations because of their insufficiency to render them happy, have God's promise of solid comfort.’ Jesus will call them to himself, and speak the words of pardon, peace, and life eternal, to their hearts,’

### **Prayer:**

**Thank you, Jesus**

**Thank you, Lord**

Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo